# MINUTES OF THE POTTSTOWN METROPOLITAN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING OF JULY 26, 2006

(Approved September 27, 2006)

The Pottstown Metropolitan Regional Planning Committee held their monthly meeting on July 26, 2006. Attending the meeting were Connie Megay and Tim Roland, East Coventry Township; Bernard Gladieux, Jr. and Greg Lignelli, Douglass Township; Kurt Zebrowski, New Hanover Township; John Gambino, West Pottsgrove Township; Tom Troutman, Lower Pottsgrove Township; Andy Paravis and Bud Jenschke, North Coventry Township; Jack Layne, Upper Pottsgrove Township.

John Cover – Montgomery County Planning Commission Matthew Edmond – Montgomery County Planning Commission

Bonnie L. Frisco – Recording Secretary

Robert Preston, Elaine Preston and Gail Brown – Members of the public

## 1. Welcome and Meeting Called to order.

Mr. Paravis called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

## 2. Review of May Minutes

Mrs. Megay moved to approve the May 24, 2006 minutes as amended. Mr. Troutman seconded the motion. Mr. Roland abstained due to his absence at the May 24, 2006 meeting. The motion carried. Public attendees are to be listed in the minutes.

Mr. Jenschke provided a treasurer's update. Mr. Jenschke noted that all dues have been received, all bills have been paid and the account balance is \$34,294.34.

#### 3. Old Business

<u>Multi-Regional Planning Commission Chairmen and Vice Chairmen Group Update</u>
Mr. Paravis noted that the above group met for breakfast in early June. The formation of an adhoc committee consisting of Chairs and Vice-Chairs was discussed.

#### **Boyd Gaming Corporation**

Attached to the minutes was a copy the "trimmed-down" April 27, 2006 letter presented to the PA Gaming Board public hearing.

#### 4. New Business

<u>Upper Pottsgrove Zoning Density Amendment</u>

A map of the affected area is to be submitted for further review and discussion.

<u>Transportation Presentation by Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC)</u>
Mr. Matthew West, Mr. Stan Platt and Mr. Alan Cunningham of DVRPC were present.

Mr. West and Mr. Cunningham provided a presentation of the Route 100 Corridor Study.

Mr. Preston noted concerns of the chemical transportation along Route 100. Mr. West noted that more information might need to be gathered regarding such issues. It was noted that the Route 100 and Route 23 intersection is being covered under another study.

Mr. Cover noted that DVRCP could be utilized for various studies.

Each municipality is to look at the plan for review and discussion.

### 5. Municipal Updates

Mr. Gambino noted a project consisting of 12 homes is pending due to the unavailability of public utilities at that location.

Mr. Troutman noted that Lower Pottsgrove has a lot of development on the books. Issuing of building permits has been ceased until the sewer issues have been resolved.

Mr. Zebrowski noted that discussions have been taking place with T.H. Properties regarding the township center.

Mr. Roland noted that East Coventry Township sustained substantial damage from the recent storms. Mr. Roland also noted that East Coventry Township is applying to PennVest for sewer funding.

Mr. Lignelli noted that project in Douglass Township are moving along. Mr. Lignelli also noted concerns regarding the condition of county bridges.

Mr. Jenschke noted that noted a project in North Coventry Township that was originally proposed as senior housing now is proposed as higher density. Variances are going to be needed. Mr. Paravis handed out a letter from the Clean Water Fund regarding regional aid for watersheds. It was suggested the group provide a presentation to the PMRPC.

#### 6. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

## 7. Adjournment

Mr. Troutman moved to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Mr. Jenschke seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie L. Frisco Recording Secretary